



INDIANA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Indiana State Board of Education
Board Meeting Minutes
April 5, 2017
Indiana Government Center South
Conference Room B
302 West Washington Street
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Board Members Present: Superintendent Dr. Jennifer McCormick (Chair), Mrs. Cari Whicker (Vice Chair), Dr. Byron Ernest (Secretary), Dr. Vince Bertram, Dr. David Freitas, Mr. Gordon Hendry, Dr. Maryanne McMahan, Mr. B.J. Watts, and Dr. Steve Yager.

Board Members Absent: None.

I. Call to Order

- a. Superintendent Dr. Jennifer McCormick (Chair) called the meeting to order.
- b. Emmerich Manual JROTC presented colors
- c. The board members recited the pledge of allegiance.

II. Approval of Agenda

- a. Dr. McCormick moved up Best Practices- Emmerich Manual JROTC Presentation
- b. Item E in the Consent Agenda was added to New Business- Action
- c. Item C in New Business was moved to item A at the request of IPS
- d. The agenda was approved by voice vote

III. Best Practices

- a. Emmerich Manual JROTC presented program information and highlights for the 100th year of JROTC

III. Approval of Minutes

- a. The minutes from March 8, 2017 were approved by voice vote.

IV. Statement from the Chair

- a. Dr. McCormick congratulated Emmerich Manual on everything they have accomplished over the past 100 years.
- b. Dr. McCormick thanked the state board members who have attended the ESSA meetings.

V. Board Member Comments and Reports

- a. Dr. Ernest commended Superintendent McCormick and Patrick McAlister's, who is the Director of Policy at the department, leadership and involvement within the ESSA meetings.

VI. General Public Comment

- a. None.

VIII. Consent Agenda

- a. The Consent Agenda was approved by voice vote.
- b. The items on the Consent agenda were:
 - A) Approval of Common School Loans
 - B) Approval of Perkins Grants and State Plan
 - C) Approval of St. Thomas Aquinas School Appeal
 - D) Approval of Cornerstone College Prep School Appeal
 - E) Approval of Success Academy Primary School Appeal
 - F) Approval of Virgil I Grissom Middle School Appeal
 - G) Approval of Immaculate Heart of Mary Appeal

- H) Approval of St. John's Lutheran School Appeal
- I) Approval of Gary Middle College Appeal

IX. Adjudications

- a. None.

X. New Business – Action

- a. IPS Transformation Zone Plan
 - i. Ron Sandlin, the Senior Director of School Improvement & Transformation, presented the IPS transformation zone plan which explained the principles and benefits of this idea.
 - ii. The SBOE approved the transformation plan with a vote of 9-0.
 - iii. [Discussion began at 30:00](#)
- b. Approval of Lakeland Christian Academy Appeal Recommendation
 - i. Addressed two issues: the removal of three foreign exchange students that were mistakenly included in the cohort by Lakeland Christian Academy and the addition of dual credit course completion information after failing to submit data to the department by the department's deadline for data submission.
 - ii. Lakeland Christian Academy failed to submit this data during the audit time period, which resulted in an inaccurate grade for this school.
 - iii. The board approved the recommendation with a vote of 7-2 (Dr. Yager and Superintendent McCormick voted no)
 - iv. [Discussion began at 1:37:00](#)
- c. Approval of Oakland City University Master of Arts in Teaching and Elementary Transition to Teaching Program
 - i. Under the transition to teaching program, students will be allowed to teach during the program as well as obtaining eligibility for a Masters of Arts.
 - ii. The board approved this program with a vote of 9-0.
 - iii. [Discussion began at 2:18:15](#)
- d. Approval of Martin University Educator Preparation Program for Early Childhood Education (P-3) and Elementary Education (k-6) Licensure
 - i. Martin University plans to create their first Educator Preparation Program within the next 3 years. The recommendation was for approval and then a report back to the board during that time period.
 - ii. The board approved the recommended program with a vote of 9-0.
 - iii. [Discussion began at 2:22:00](#)

XI. Discussion and Reports

- a. Assessment Update
 - i. Dr. Flores presented the Assessment update: IREAD-3 concluded successfully last month and the ISTEP+ Part 2- Online and Paper/Pencil being administered from April 17th to May 5th.
 - ii. By the end of this week (April 8th) students should be able to receive their IREAD-3 scores.
 - iii. Memos will be sent out with information regarding students who did not pass IREAD-3.
 - iv. Concerns were brought to the table when Dr. Flores mentioned the concept of students being able to advance grade levels who fail to pass the IREAD-3 assessment.
 - v. The proposed 2017-2018 Assessment Windows and the RFP Development Process were discussed.
 - vi. [Discussion began at 2:32:00](#)
- b. Accountability Update

- i. Each school corporation must publish an annual performance report for the corporation between March 15th and March 31st
 - ii. The Department released the disaggregated 2016 APR for schools, including charter schools, in Marion County in compliance with IC 20-20-8-8(b).
 - iii. Board members and the public may access expanded APR report at www.compass.doe.in.gov.
- c. SBOE Technical Advisory Committee Update
 - i. Next meeting will be April 12th - 13th
 - ii. Core content teacher licensure test data will be reviewed and discussed.
 - iii. [Discussion began at 3:08:00](#)
- d. ESSA Update
 - i. Mr. McAlister thanked board members for their assistance and participation over the course of the previous ESSA community meetings.
 - ii. Mr. McAlister and members gave a brief update of information discussed during these meetings.
 - iii. [Discussion began at 3:11:30](#)

XII. Board Options

- a. None.

XIII. Adjournment

- a. Board adjourned the meeting by voice vote.